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In re Application of:

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For: PROGRAMMABLE MESSAGING SYSTEM

FOR CONTROLLING PLAYBACK OF

MESSAGES ON REMOTE MUSIC ON-HOLD-COMPATIBLE TELEPHONE SYSTEMS AND

OTHER MESSAGE OUTPUT DEVICES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the first examination on the merits, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

In the Claims

Please add new claims 32-35:

- 32. (New) A remotely controllable message playback device for playing selected messages from an optical disc comprising:

an optical disc system for playing at least one optical disc and providing signals generated therefrom to an output;

a first processor being programmed to generate control signals to control operation of said optical disc system;

a receiver unit; and

a second processor connected to said first processor and to said receiver unit, said receiver unit being operable to receive command signals transmitted thereto and to provide said command signals to said second processor, second processor being programmed to convert said